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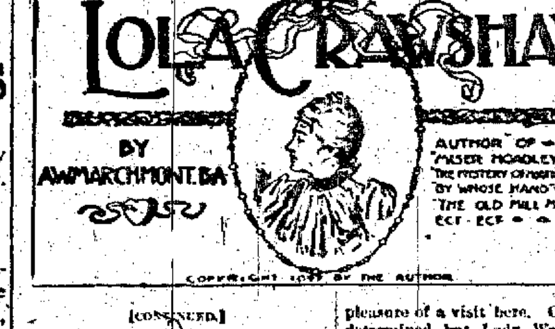
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CHAPTER X.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END.

Pierre Turrian amply justified the opinion as to his cleverness which Lola expressed to Sir Jaffray, for in a few weeks he succeeded in making himself a welcome guest at Walcote manor.

Sir Jaffray, who had at first been led to think of him as a sort of musical crank and had tolerated him as a comparatively harmless individual who could sing with exquisite taste and play brilliantly, discovered one by one his other qualities, just as the astute Frenchman thought it judicious to reveal them.

He could be an excellent companion, having a rare capacity of adapting himself to his surroundings. He had a great knowledge of men, picked up in the course of his wanderings over all Europe. He possessed an endless fund of anecdotes, with a clever knack of inventing them to suit any occasion and time and company, and as he speedily and accurately gauged the baronet's character he was able to make himself welcome in half a hundred ways.

Gradually the "musical fad," as Sir Jaffray began to call it laughingly, was allowed to fall more and more out of sight until it was rarely mentioned, and Sir Jaffray came to the conclusion that, as the Frenchman seemed to have plenty of money, it had been taken up as a sort of hobby and was to be dropped as easily.

"'The professor' seems to have developed under our influence, Lola," he said one day to his wife. They spoke of him as "the professor" as a term of friendship. "Wonder what made him take up that fifth string rot. Glad he's shed *that rubbish.*"

"He seems a man of impulses," replied Lola, "and I wish an impulse would take him back to Switzerland." She was very restless at the growing intimacy between the two men and had striven against it, but the Frenchman had beaten her.

"I can't say that," replied Sir Jaffray, laughing. "I like him. He's one of the jolliest beggars I ever met—one of the few men I've ever known who can lose his coin without getting raggy." The Frenchman had been shrewd enough to let the baronet always have just the best of matters in every game and sport in which they met. "When we come back from town, we must have him here. He'd be the life and soul of a house party, those deadly plagues of the country."

"We can hardly have him here, then, can we?"

"Why not? The women'll go mad after him. I'd give a lot to see the little De Witt setting those wicked little wits of hers to work to catch him for her snuggery." And he laughed again.

The idea of that sharp little woman watching the incidents of the drama that was being played at the manor was the reverse of pleasant to Lola, but she said nothing, lest she should arouse some sort of suspicion.

The baronet was as good as his word, and in a flush of good feeling one day he gave the Frenchman a general invitation to stay at the manor as soon as Lola and himself should return from London.

When Lola heard of it, she was angry and took an opportunity of speaking to M. Turrian about it.

"You must not accept that invitation," she said peremptorily.

"No?" And he stopped and looked at her with his eyebrows raised. They were walking on the terrace before dinner, and he was smoking a cigarette.

"No. I say no," said Lola energetically.

"And why not?"

"Because I don't choose to allow it."

"That is not a tactful reason," he said, with a shrug and a laugh.

"I care nothing about tact. You must not do it. If you do, I shall stop your allowance."

"That is coarse. We may be—criminals, but at least we should be polite." And he bowed with affected courtesy. "Give me your real reasons," he continued, after a pause. "If it is only your pique, I shall not pay the slightest heed to it. You chose this life, not I. I did not like it at first. I have grown accustomed to it, and I find it pleasant enough—for a time, while my plans develop and," bowing again, "I shall live it in my own way."

"There are people coming here who may remember a certain notorious gambler and cheat who was at one time known in half the hells in Europe."

"Ah, that is most interesting and most enticing. If there is one thing that I do not like about this existence, it is what you call its humdrum, dead alive sameness and respectability. A man rusts in such a place. There is no risk, no danger, where people's wits are so stupid as here. Why, even a murderess might live here all her life unsuspected, while as for bigamists they would find it a perfect haven of rustic rest." He paused and glanced at her, but Lola took no notice of his words, and he resumed: "But what you promise me now is just the one touch that is wanted to make life life and worth living. You at any rate must see that such a place is most admirably adapted for that form of your English virtue of self denial which consists in denying your own identity. If others can do this, why not I?" And he laughed with malicious glee.

"I tell you you must not come to stay in this house. You shall not!" said Lola vehemently.

"Pardon me, madame," and his shoulders went up and his hands spread out as he bowed again, "but I most assuredly shall."

"You shall not, at any hazard," said Lola very firmly, when she was interrupted by Sir Jaffray, who said, with a good natured laugh:

"Hello, you two! I hope you're not quarreling there because the violin mission isn't getting forward."

Pierre Turrian turned and laughed gayly.

"No, no; Lady Walcote and I are, I trust, too old friends to quarrel over that. Her energy is all friendliness. I was telling her that you had asked me to come here after your return from town, and I was explaining to her that I am going on the continent for awhile to perfect a plan which is often in my thoughts, and she was insisting that I should not break off my arrangements there in order to return here, because in some slight respects the two things might rather clash. But I assured her that I could not think of letting any other considerations interfere with the pleasure of a visit here. Of that I am determined, but Lady Walcote is too solicitous on my behalf."

"Oh, of course you'll come if you can, professor!" said Sir Jaffray. "I should be sorry if you didn't. I'm glad you two weren't at loggerheads. I want you to be friends, you know."

"I trust we shall never misunderstand one another more than we do at present." And the Frenchman bowed and shot a swift, cunning look at Lola which stung her like a poisoned barb. "What say you, madame?" he asked softly and courteously. And Lola hated herself and her accomplice at being driven into this course of loathsome deception of the man she loved.

The moment after she turned and left them. She was sick of the part she had to play.

She began to feel already that in attempting to guide events to suit her own purposes she had undertaken a task which might lead to infinitely greater trouble than that she was striving to avoid, and this fear led her to associate the idea of coming disaster with this visit of Pierre's to the manor.

While she and Sir Jaffray were in London and the Frenchman was absent the feeling were away, but as the time for the return to Walcote approached it came back again, and could she have had her choice she would have taken Sir Jaffray right away out of Europe for another long tour, such as that which had made their honeymoon so pleasant.

But Sir Jaffray would not hear of it. He was anxious to spend the late summer and autumn at Walcote. He longed to see Lola at the head of his splendid old home, and he was keenly anticipating the shooting. Thus he left London full of the most pleasurable anticipation.

Sir Jaffray and Lola were alone in the house for two or three days before any of the guests came, and during that time Lola struggled against the presentiment of evil which depressed her. But she could not shake it off, and as the day approached on which Pierre Turrian was to arrive she grew dull and moody and even irritable.

She had done all that she dared to prevent his coming to stay in the house, and the idea of it both angered and disgusted her. She had entered on the deception without at all realizing the constant association with lies which it necessitated.

She shrank from having the two men under the same roof. She had expected that Pierre would have taken her money, and, after staying perhaps a short time at Walcote, would have gone away to the continent, back to that disreputable, roaming life which he had always lived. She could have borne that, but this constant association with him, his presence in the house and the life of continuous deceit and lying which it forced upon her made her sin against the man she loved so patent, so flagrant, so ever present and pressing that she began to repent that she had ever chosen the path of deceit.

Sir Jaffray caught her in one of her fits of moodiness on the day when Pierre Turrian arrived. Mrs. De Witt and Beryl were also in the house. Sir Jaffray had surprised Lola with her mask off just before dinner.

He crept up to her quietly, and, running his arm round her waist, kissed her.

"What's the matter, Lola?" he asked gently. "You look sad and ill, and both are strange for you, though I've seen you so two or three times lately. Is anything up?"

To his consternation, she burst into tears. He had never seen her do such a thing before, and he did not know what to do.

Like everything with her, her grief was violent, stormy and passionate, but it soon passed.

"I am a fool," she cried, "a child, frightened by a shadow. If I were to tell you, you would laugh or be angry."

"See if I should," he said kindly. "Tell me."

Her husband looked at her thoughtfully.

"A shadow that seems to be ahead often looms up out of the past," he said.

The remark put her on her guard in a moment.

"Partly the past, partly the present and partly the future," she replied. "I have never played the hostess on such a scale as I shall have to herd in a few days, and I think the prospect of it unnerves me."

"Is that all?" There was something in his tone which made her feel he did not quite accept the answer, and he took his arm away from round her waist. "You are a creature of moods, Lola," he continued thoughtfully, "and I sometimes think that some of the things in your past life which you have never told me depress you."

"Why do you think there is anything I have not told you?"

"You have told me very little."

"There is only little to tell," she replied, surprised at *his* words, for he had never pressed her as to any incident of her life with her father, "and certainly nothing not to tell." Her quickness to read in his words a suggestion of doubt roused her into an attitude of defense.

He noticed the change, and he stooped and kissed her.

"When I doubt you, child, I will tell you so openly. I am with you and for you against the world."

She answered his caress impulsively and threw her arms round him and, kissing him passionately, exclaimed:

"Ah, Jaffray, I think sometimes I should be a happier woman if I did not love you as I do."

"Happier if you did not love me?" he questioned and smiled. "That is a puzzle I can't read. Would you rather that I did not love you, then?"

"Ah, no, no! I would rather you killed me by the cruelest of deaths." And she clung to him.

"Then you are a problem I can't solve," he answered, laughing, "but a problem that is very dear to me, solved or unsolved."

While they were thus lovemaking the first of the dinner gongs sounded, and they had to hasten away to dress.

Then at dinner an incident happened which disturbed Lola profoundly and marked the beginning of the end.

They had only three guests—Mrs. De Witt, Beryl Leycester and Pierre Turrian—and at dinner Lola saw that the Frenchman was taking a good deal of wine. The conversation turned on what each of those present had been doing during the past few weeks, and presently Lola saw him set down his glass with an expression which she knew well boded mischief to some one and look *in her direction furtively out of the corner* of his eyes. Then he broke into the conversation in a tone which drew the attention of all to him:

"My faith, but I have had an experience, or rather have heard of one, which is, if you like, uncommon!"

"About fiddle strings?" asked Mrs. De Witt mischievously.

"No, madame; about human lives and about something which I am sure you could not comprehend—woman's faithlessness."

"I have heard of it," said the little woman innocently, "but if it is anything too dreadful don't spoil it by telling us too hurriedly—keep it for by and by, in the drawing room."

"Out with it, man," exclaimed the baronet.

"It is the story of a friend of mine," said the Frenchman, pausing a moment to emphasize his next remark. "Do you know the Devil's rock in the Swiss mountains? Do you, Lady Walcote?" he asked when the others said nothing.

Something in the tone made Beryl Leycester look up, and she saw that Sir Jaffray's wife was on the defensive.

"The Devil's rock, the Devil's rock," replied Lola, repeating the words as if waiting for the name to strike some chord of recollection and speaking very naturally. "I seem to have heard of it, and yet—you know how one's memory will play tricks—I really can't say." And she smiled very sweetly.

"It is well named at any rate," said M. Turrian. "Imagine a semicircular background of rough, steep crags, with here and there thick, dark firs and pines on them, and in the middle a sharp pinnacle rock standing sheer and grim and solitary, joined to the background by a narrow path, each side of which is a precipice stretching down hundreds of feet to the bottom of the gorge. That is the Devil's rock, and the precipice might be called in truth the mouth of hell."

"But what has the devil to do with woman's faithlessness?" asked Mrs. De Witt, with a smile.

"More than usual," returned the Frenchman, laughing dryly. "There was murder done on that very spot—murder, so far as intent was concerned, and my friend was the victim. I went to the place last month with him."

"I'm getting a bit mixed, professor," said the baronet.

"My friend was married to a woman who seems to have got the idea of freeing herself from him. She took him to that place one day, told him she had ceased to love him and that she meant to leave him."

"What a very conventional creature!" exclaimed Mrs. De Witt. "She was, of course, a woman of the middle classes."

"Scarcely conventional, madame," said M. Turrian. "She goaded him with some hot, bitter words—that was conventional, of course—and when he caught hold of her to take her away from the place she struck him in the face with the parasol she was carrying, and he stumbled back and fell over."

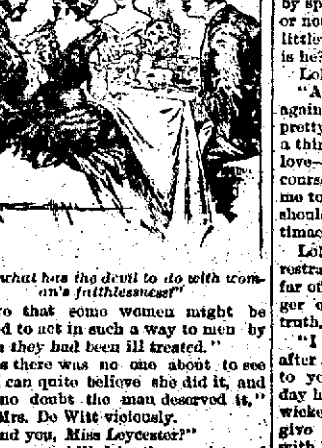
"Oh, that's not murder! Much more like suicide," said Mrs. De Witt. "If he knew what sort of a woman she was, he might have known what to expect if he tried force on such a spot."

"Wait," resumed the Frenchman. "In falling he caught hold of a point of the rock with one hand and would have saved himself, but she, seeing what had happened, stamped on his fingers with all her strength, bruising and crushing them and causing him to lose his hold. That was murder."

"But you say he didn't die," said the baronet.

"I say it was murder in intent. What think you, Lady Walcote?" And he stopped and looked boldly into Lola's eyes.

"I should think your friend was romancing, M. Turrian, though I can



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believe that some women might be goaded to act in such a way to men by whom they had been ill treated."

"As there was no one about to see her, I can quite believe she did it, and I've no doubt the man deserved it," said Mrs. De Witt viciously.

"And you, Miss Leycester?"

"I am not skilled in the casuistry of murder defenses," replied Beryl coldly.

"But if this was such a ghastly place how did the man escape?" asked the baronet.

"His clothes were caught on a tree in some miraculous way, and after a time of suspense, in which his wits nearly left him, he was rescued."

Lola had schooled herself to reveal no sign of the painful and absorbing interest with which she listened to the story, but at this she could not avoid a *quick, sudden exclamation:*

"Ah!"

"This part of the story interests you, Lady Walcote?" said the Frenchman, turning and looking fixedly at her.

"No more than the rest," she replied, keeping her voice under control with an effort the strain of which was beginning to tell upon her, and she gripped her hands tightly together on her lap as she saw the calm, clear, gray eyes of Beryl Leycester scrutinizing first herself and then the Frenchman, as if she understood that a duel was going on between them.

The scene was photographing itself on Lola's memory. The soft yellow of the lamplight, the lovely flowers on the table, those at the table turning to *listen to the Frenchman's words*, his attitude as he bent forward and leered, half threateningly, half jeeringly and all audaciously, at her, and through the flowers and ferns Sir Jaffray, upright and handsome, listening with the rest, as unconcernedly as if it were a tale which in nowise touched the fringe of his life.

How would he look if he knew who the murderess was?

The thought flashed across Lola's brain just as she forced herself to speak in a tone of polite but casual interest. *Her own voice sounded to her like that of another.*

"And what did he do next?"

"Ah, that was not conventional," replied M. Turrian, turning to smile on Mrs. De Witt, but looking back almost directly to Lola, with the expression which to Beryl had seemed like a challenge and a defiance. "He went his way. He said to himself, 'This is no common act, and the vengeance shall be like it.'"

"Quite theatrical," murmured Mrs. De Witt. "But what was the end, please?"

"He let her remain, madame, under the impression that she had killed him. He hid himself, and to this hour he has never revealed the truth. He is waiting until she has taken some step which will make his reappearance her ruin, and then he will strike, choosing his own time."

"What a pity he didn't die!" exclaimed Mrs. De Witt.

"He's rather a cold blooded brute, professor. Shouldn't care for many such friends," said the baronet.

"Does he come from Montreux?" asked Beryl, and the Frenchman, turning hastily round, met the calm, searching *gaze of the girl fixed keenly on him*, and in an instant recognized what a clumsy blunder he had made, and while he was muttering in some confusion a vigorous denial Lola, who had turned pale despite her fight for self control, rose from the table, and at the signal the ladies left the room.

CHAPTER XI.

BERYL SPEAKS.

Almost as soon as the four ladies reached the drawing room old Lady Walcote pleaded a headache for an excuse to go to her rooms and carried away Beryl with her.

"Now, then, my dear, let us settle ourselves for a quiet chitchat in the corner here," said Mrs. De Witt as soon *as she and Lola were alone*, "and let's be comfortable. Tell me, who's your friend? I like him rather, but shouldn't care to like him much."

"Do you mean M. Turrian?"

"Well, I don't mean Sir Jaffray, do I? And when I say friend I can't mean a woman, can I?"

"He's no friend of mine," replied Lola indifferently. "He's here because Jaffray asks him."

"Well, my dear, of course he is." And she laughed significantly.

"I mean that I do not want him here," said Lola *rather warmly, resenting* her companion's tone.

"Oh, it's that way, is it? He is the suitor, is he? Has it been that way with him long? How long is it since you refused him?"

Lola laughed in her turn.

"You think there must always be that kind of tie, eh?"

"Not always, but in this case yes. Else why is he here, my dear? But he's not clever when he drinks, and if there had been 20 people at the table tonight they could all have seen that there was some sort of relationship between you two other than that of mere casual acquaintance or friendship."

"It's just as easy for 20 people to make a mistake as one," returned Lola *again warmly.*

"I only speak for your guidance, Lola," said her companion, not noticing the interruption, "and you can be very angry with me if you like. Never have an affair with a man who wants to blurt it out right in the teeth of the world. That man was looking at you tonight when he was telling that cock and bull story with an expression in his eyes which said as plainly as possible, 'You and I understand one another.' And you are so inexperienced—don't be angry, my dear; you'll grow out of it in time—*that you even turned a shade* pale and bit your lip hard when he did look at you. Of course I don't doubt you a bit about having no understanding with him, but in that case I wouldn't have him in the house an hour if I were you, for he acts just as if you both did understand one another very thoroughly. And one has to be very innocent nowadays before one can afford to be suspected for nothing. It's bad enough when it's for something." And Mrs. De Witt laughed again and shrugged her plump white shoulders.

"You find it hard, I dare say, to look through smoked glasses and see what you take for smoke and not cry 'Fire!' directly."

"That may be as you like," replied the other curtly, "but in any case I'm not such a fool as to let a man cry 'Fire! Fire!' very loudly and plainly in order that other people may amuse themselves by speculating whether there's smoke or not." And Mrs. De Witt coughed a little aggravatingly. "But tell me who is he? Where did Magog pick him up?"

Lola told her shortly.

"An old pupil. Oh!" And she coughed again. "You know, Lola, you are very pretty and—well, I have heard of such a thing as a music master falling in love—you know what I mean. Of course you know best, and it's not for me to say a word. But if I were you I shouldn't encourage Magog in that intimacy."

Lola laughed this time and quite unrestrainedly. Mrs. De Witt had gone so far off the track that there was no danger of her guessing anything of the truth.

"I tell you what I'll do," she said, after a moment's pause. "I'll lend him to you. Jaffray was saying the other day he'd like to see you 'setting your wicked little wits at him,' and I'll give you *unconditional leave to flirt* with him as much as you can."

Mrs. De Witt looked a little puzzled at this.

"No, thank you. I have a graver mission than that. I mean to bring back Magog himself to his lost allegiance," she said audaciously. "You've monopolized him quite long enough. But I'll give your Frenchman any time I can spare from the more serious business of my visit."

"Very well," said Lola, smiling. "I'll give you all of Sir Jaffray that you can take."

"You're very prodigal with your gifts," said Mrs. De Witt in a rather waspish tone. She was irritated at not quite understanding Lola.

At that moment the two men were heard laughing, and directly afterward they entered the room together.

Lola, mindful of Mrs. De Witt's words, was especially guarded in her manner toward the Frenchman.

The two men sat down close to Mrs. De Witt, who held them in conversation, and Lola, sitting a little apart, grew thoughtful.

She was beginning to realize more and more clearly how the load that she was bearing would gall and wound with its weight and how difficult it might be to carry it at all without its crushing her.

She had noticed Beryl's tone and look when the girl had asked that question about Montreux, and she saw instantly that from that side there might develop a really serious suspicion fraught with much danger.

Lola had never understood Beryl. She could not gauge the strength and possibilities of a nature that seemed to her so indifferent, so cold and so hard to wound. She knew that Beryl had loved Sir Jaffray, probably loved him now and possibly might never again feel a spark of love for any other man. Such, she thought, was sometimes the persistence of these self restrained women.

Yet there had never been a sign of hostility or resentment on Beryl's part at the breaking of that old tacit engagement and the wrecking of her life.

Why was this?

Lola had puzzled over that problem more than once, and the episode of the dinner table showed her now that the *answer* to it might be the hinge on which the whole future of her life at Walcote manor might turn.

Given that Beryl harbored any suspicion and that by any freak of fortune she could get at the truth, how would her old love for Sir Jaffray prompt her to act?

"I should strike at any cost," thought Lola, "but we are very different. She may have that power of self sacrifice which I have not, and it may be that if I could control other things," and she glanced in disgust at Pierre Turrian, "she would even do nothing. I wonder what she thinks."

"You seem very quiet, Lola," said Sir Jaffray, coming to her side at this moment. He had glanced several times at his wife and had noticed how unusually preoccupied and silent she was.

"Yes, I was listening for once," she answered, smiling.

"Where is Beryl? Turrian is going to sing, and I know she would like to hear him."

"She went away with the mother. I'll go and tell her." And Lola, glad to be alone for a moment, went out of the room.

She did not go directly to Lady Walcote's rooms, but when she reached the long, broad corridor which led to them she staid and walked two or three times the full length of it, pursuing the train of thought which had been interrupted.

While she was thus occupied Beryl came out of one of the rooms and stood *in astonishment watching Lola*, who was so absorbed that she did not hear the door open.

When she reached the end of the corridor and turned, Lola for the first time noticed Beryl and thought that the girl was watching her.

"Aren't you well, or is anything the matter, Lola?" asked Beryl.

"What should be the matter?" returned Lola a little irritably, for Beryl's cold manner always seemed to ruffle her, and she was annoyed now at having been found doing what was unusual. "I was coming to *ask you if you would* not like to hear M. Turrian sing. He is going to sing now."

"It is very good of you to think of it," said Beryl. "I'll come. I should like to hear him. He interests me."

"It was not I who thought of it, but Jaffray," answered Lola. "I mustn't claim credit that belongs to him."

"Well, you came to fetch me at any rate," replied Beryl, with a smile that warmed her face and lighted it. Then in a different tone she said as they went down stairs together: "M. Turrian is a strange character. He seems to show a new side every time I see him. I have not heard him before in the role of story teller."

"Have you not?" answered Lola indifferently. "I am rather surprised at that. He prides himself on his powers a good deal, and Jaffray thinks much of him on account of them."

But though Lola had answered lightly she had an instinct that there was something behind the remark which menaced mischief.

As the two entered the drawing room together Lola glanced round her rapidly, with a curious sense that in some way a crisis was at hand; but, meeting her husband's eyes, which rested upon her with an expression of warm love, she smiled *him back a signal and went* and stood close to him, as though safe in the strength of his protection.

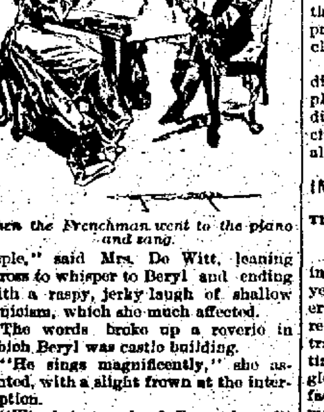
Beryl crossed to Mrs. De Witt and sat by her, looking chilled and half restrained, taking the chair which M. Turrian offered her with exaggerated gesture and politeness.

Then the Frenchman went to the piano, where Lola and her husband stood together, and sang to Lola's accompaniment.

When he sang, it was difficult to think of him as connected with anything evil. He had a marvelously rich and sweet tenor voice, which he used with consummate skill as the vehicle of every phase of emotion.

Beryl sat listening half in a dream, *leaning back in her chair and drinking* in the intoxicating sweetness of the man's voice as it swept at will the underlying chords of her nature.

"Satan certainly had a voice like that when he sang to Eve about that



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apple," said Mrs. De Witt, leaning across to whisper to Beryl and ending with a raspy, jerky laugh of shallow cynicism, which she much affected.

The words broke up a reverie in which Beryl was castle building.

"He sings magnificently," she assented, with a slight frown at the interruption.

"Who is he, my dear? Do you know?" asked Mrs. De Witt, who was very tired of listening in silence even to the singing and was, moreover, very curious to know more about the Frenchman.

"Sir Jaffray will probably be able to tell you much more about him than I can," replied Beryl, who did not want to talk and certainly had no intention of speaking to Mrs. De Witt on the subject.

"Quite a conspiracy of silence," was the sharply spoken reply, and a moment afterward she added: "I only wanted to know whether he'd do to have at one's *house in town. What do you think, Beryl?*"

"A voice like his would cover any other faults for that sort of thing. Let us listen to him, dear." And Mrs. De Witt, shrugging her shoulders impatiently at this fresh failure to find out anything about the singer, sank back in her chair and was not contented until she caught Sir Jaffray's eye and beckoned him to her side.

Meanwhile Beryl sat and listened, and picked up again the broken thread of her thoughts, watching the two at the piano and turning now and then to glance at the handsome figure of the baronet, who sat listening to the chatter of the lively little woman at his side, but looking at his lovely wife with his heart in his eyes.

It was a strange position, and as Beryl thought of it all it dazed and confused her, and she wondered if what she thought or rather what she believed she knew could possibly be true, and as often as her eyes rested on Sir Jaffray, knowing his honest, sterling honor and mindful of her old unshakable love for him, she was filled with a deep pity for him on account of the blow which might fall at any moment, glooming his life.

But her face hardened and her heart steeled when she looked toward the woman who had come between her and her cousin, filling her life with the *blight of loneliness.*

One step she resolved to take, and that at once. She would speak to the Frenchman, and this resolve she put in force the next day.

After breakfast on the following morning she waited for an opportunity of finding the Frenchman alone and then joined him.

"M. Turrian, there is a subject on which you can help me. Can you spare me five minutes?" she said. "Will you come to the conservatory?"

"I will give you five hours, Miss Leycester," he said, with his exaggerated gesture. "What is it?" And the air of surface indifference which he assumed did not blind Beryl to the quick questioning glance which he shot at her.

Beryl said nothing until they were in the conservatory and it was certain that no one could hear them.

"I want to make sure that we are not overheard, M. Turrian," she said calmly, "because what I want to ask you is very private and very important."

She took a folded paper from her pocket as she spoke, and her fingers did not tremble in the least as she unfolded it.

"I was in Montreux this summer," she continued, "and in the course of my stay I visited the Chapel of St. Sulpice and examined the register there. I found an entry which has been a most painful puzzle to me. It is that of the marriage of a certain Pierre Turrian with Lola Crawshay. Here is a copy. Can you tell me what it means?"

As she said this Beryl looked him steadily in the face and held out the paper for him to read.

He took it from her and read it, holding it with fingers which with all his efforts he could not keep from trembling violently, while his face turned to the ghastly ashen color which she had seen once before when she had told him in their first interview that Lola was married to Sir Jaffray.

She recalled that incident as she stood watching him steadily with eyes that never left his face and waiting for the answer, which he seemed absolutely unable to force from between his lips.

And with every moment of silence the strain increased.

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NECESSARY FLATTERY.

The Experience of a Young Woman Who Tried Plain Speaking For a Week.

It was the first afternoon of the club meeting, and the girl who prides herself on the earnestness of her aims and objects in life came into the room with the light of a noble resolve glorifying her countenance.

"I've been reading the loveliest book in the world, girls," she exclaimed enthusiastically, "and henceforth I shall never flatter or deceive anybody! The author says that flattery is the worst of sins and that"—

"Tell us your experiences next week," interrupted the sarcastic maiden grimly. "They'll be a lot more interesting than an account of the book's preachings, and besides"— But the earnest girl had flown off in indignation, and she was decidedly meek and crestfallen when next the club members met.

"You needn't laugh," she remarked to the sarcastic maiden, who was grinning expectantly, "for I believe what the book said was true, only we're not sufficiently developed to live by such an elevated standard. You know, I said I should never flatter anybody again all my life. Well, that was last week. Now I'm going to flatter everybody. I've had enough of plain speaking to last me a lifetime. Last Monday I told mamma she was getting crow's feet when I knew she wanted me to say she wasn't. Next day Mamie asked me how old I thought she looked, and I told her honestly. Mamma hasn't got over being vexed yet, and, as for Mamie, I don't suppose she'll ever speak to me again.

"Wednesday our pastor called and wanted my honest opinion of his last sermon! I told him, and he was awfully hurt. Friday I told my dressmaker that I considered her awfully careless with nice material, and she left the house in anger, with my new dress half done and not a soul among us who knows how to finish it. Other dressmakers won't, you know, so what shall I do?

"That's the way things have gone all week. Now I'm going to say lovely things on principle again, whether they're true or not. You girls do look perfectly stunning," she continued sweetly as her listeners sighed sympathetically. "I do think we have the prettiest set of girls in the city in our club and the nicest."

And then she wondered that they didn't really seem grateful for the compliment. "They acted just as if they didn't think I meant it," she told her chum afterward.—Chicago Times-Herald.

IMPROVEMENTS IN PISTOLS.

They Have Lowered in Price and Increased In Reliability.

"There has been more progress made in the revolver trade in the past ten years," explained a Connecticut revolver manufacturer to a Washington Star reporter, "than in any other line of trade that I know of. There was a time when even the old fashioned single barreled pistol could not be manufactured to sell for less than $1, or even more. That time has gone, and the single barreled pistol is a thing of the past. In its place came the revolver, which is now made in all sizes, from a vest pocket revolver to that which is carried in a holster. The prices have kept on going down as the revolvers have improved in manufacture, so that now a perfect working and reliable revolver can be bought at retail as low as $1, and even the best makes for $2 or $3.

"The self cocking and hammerless revolver, which five years ago sold at retail at $10 and $12, can now be bought by the carload as low as $3 or $5, and the better goods at from $4 to $6. In these arms the best steel is used. The German revolver, which was the only one which ever seriously competed with those of American make, has about run out its race and is never offered any more except in country stores, where it is bought by boys. It is clumsier made and heavier than the American revolver and no more compares with the latter than does the English line of revolvers, which at one time were very freely sold in this country. Likewise the American rifle and shotgun have outdistanced all other makes, though the German cheap shotguns still find a good market with those who do not care to put much money in a gun. The American double barreled shotgun, which sells at retail for about $13, is a much cheaper gun in the long run than the German make, which sell at from $5 to $6, as all of those who have had experience with them discovered long ago."

Love's Lair.

"I never could see any sense in the saying that love laughs at locksmiths."

"You couldn't? Well, it is because he has no need for the door. Don't you know that love flies out at the window?"—Chicago Post.

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THE political pot at Harrisburg resembles a clam chowder.

THE factory smoke seems to have affected Mr. Bryan's voice.

GENERAL prosperity at the bat has knocked the calamity howler over the fence.

Has anybody been heard to express regret that he voted for sound money and protection last year?

IT is to be hoped that the next session of Congress will pass a law legalizing postal savings banks.

AND even W. H. Harrity has consented to swallow the Reading platform. "Where are we at."

"DOLLAR wheat" is the derisive cry wherever ex-candidate Bryan tries to renew his silver arguments.

OF course, silver is not to blame for the change of price in wheat. It had nothing to do with it; never had in fact.

HAS it been learned whether that 1500 dollars which is to be paid the ex-candidate Bryan for his one Ohio effort is guaranteed in gold coin?

THAT rattling sound you have heard over the country is not caused by the putting up of shutters, as was the case at this stage of the Cleveland administration.

IS MR. BRYAN going to sit quietly by and perhaps allow the statesmen of Mexico, through the direction of the London "gold power," to commit another crime?

THE output of gold from the State of California since 1848 to the present time is $1,300,000,000, and new discoveries of the precious metal are made daily in the Pacific State.

THE Secretary of the treasury and the Postmaster General, with the consent of the President, have decided to change the color of the two cent postage stamp to green, similar to the old three cent letter stamp before postage was reduced.

WHEN Governor Hastings appointed Col. Jas. H. Lambert of Philadelphia as Secretary of the Commonwealth, he met the approval of all fair minded men of the State. But when Col. Lambert refused to accept the position and David Martin was appointed the Governor met the disapproval of almost every voter in the State. He is like the cow that gave a large mess of milk and then kicked it over.

THE difficulty that occurred at Harleton, near Wilkes Barre, last Friday between Sheriff Martin and his deputies of Luzerne county and a large body of foreign coal miners, wherein several of the latter were killed and a large number wounded, has been a terrible lesson to the turbulent spirits that are engaged in the coal mining business. Who is principally to blame is hard to conjecture at this time, and it is to be hoped that there will be no more bloodshed. If the miners had stayed at their places of labor, or where they belonged, and not gone marching around to other mines attempting to induce other miners to cease from their labors, there would have been no bloodshed.

THE DIFFERENCE.

In the present judicial contest the friends of Mr. Mullin, in their eagerness to secure the sympathy of the masses, are continually emphasizing the fact that he is a prominent example of a self-made man. That without the early advantages of education, without wealth, or influential friends to assist him in his struggles, he has, by indomitable energy and toil, risen to his present position. In this contest there is no disposition to withhold from Mr. Mullin the praise that is his due. But, it must be remembered, that if this is an argument in favor of Mr. Mullin it is equally as powerful in the interest of Judge Morrison. He, as well as Mr. Mullin, met and struggled through all the disadvantages of early poverty, sustained by a noble ambition to take an honored place among his fellow citizens. The son of a farmer of limited means, without the help of powerful family connections, or other influence than that resulting from personal exertion, he has achieved both honor and success. Mr. Mullin and Judge Morrison have both risen to prominence over and in spite of adverse circumstances. But here the parallel ceases. For while in early manhood Mr. Mullin bent all his energies to improve his worldly prospects and surround himself with the comforts of domestic life, Judge Morrison stood arrayed upon the battlefields of his country. On the field of Fredericksburg he shed his patriot blood, that that country might be preserved, that her institutions might be perpetuated, and that Mr. Mullin might even be vouchsafed the privilege of becoming a candidate for the honored office to which he now aspires. If all other conditions were equal this [illegible] should turn the scale. But all other conditions are not equal. The warmest adherent of Mr. Mullin will not deny that the legal qualifications of Judge Morrison are far superior to those of his opponent. The experience of ten years upon the bench, the constant training of the legal mind to the analysis of evidence, the subtle distinctions and abstruse reasoning involved in questions of law, have given the mind of Judge Morrison a quickness of apprehension, a possession of logic, and an amplitude of grasp which his opponent, however worthy, has not yet attained.

But aside from learning and ability temperament is an indispensable element in the character of a judge. In the trial of complicated causes, amidst examination and cross examination of witnesses, the heated debates and wrangling of attorneys, he must sit with a calm and elevated, and dauntless composure, conscious only of the rights of parties, of public justice and the laws. Is this a qualification for which Mr. Mullin is distinguished? If all other fitness were conceded, this one qualification his most ardent supporter would be compelled to deny. No man can smother his nature by cultivation or development. Nature made Mr. Mullin a persistent, aggressive champion, but denied to him the calm, deliberate element of a judge. Good advocates and competent judges are not synonomous terms. The people will best be served by Mr. Mullin at the bar and not by administering the judicial office.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13, 1897.—Activity at the headquarters of the Republican National Committee is a new thing in connection with State campaigns, will show that it is a good thing and that it will hereafter continue right along. It is certain that the documents now being circulated by the National Committee can be handled with more advantage in Washington than anywhere else, and it is needless to say that the machinery of the National Committee makes their distribution easier and more thorough than it would otherwise be. The National Committee is not having anything to do with managing the State campaigns; it is merely looking after the proper distribution of literature bearing upon the national policy of the Republican party, leaving the management exclusively to the State committees.

President McKinley is back in Washington, but will only stay a few days. There are several more or less pressing matters which he wished to be discussed by the cabinet and disposed of, and he also wished to have a talk with Consul General Lee, who is also in Washington, about matters in Cuba. As soon as these things are done, he will go to New England and there he will stay about two weeks. He is looking very well, but he laughingly remarked that he had not succeeded in getting much rest while away from Washington. He is too good natured to refuse to see people who call on him or to refuse well-meant courtesies extended to him. That's why he finds it difficult to get rest, either in or out of Washington.

The business of the Post Office Department is an infallible indicator of the business of the country. The business of 30 of the largest postoffices of the country has been found by long experience to fairly represent the business of the entire department, and the business of those 30 offices was eight per cent greater in August of this year than in August of last year, and five per cent greater than in July. The postoffice officials are all ready to testify that prosperity is right here.

Secretary Wilson having become satisfied from the success of experiments made that the camphor tree will thrive in Florida, and that we can grow enough to supply all the camphor we use, has arranged to have the tree thoroughly introduced in that State, through the Department of Agriculture. He also intends to especially encourage the growth of the English walnut tree, which he thinks will do well anywhere south of the Potomac river. There is no longer any doubt about the success of Secretary Wilson in making the Department of Agriculture practically assist the farmers of the country, by pointing out to them feasible means of increasing their incomes.

Secretary Gage has gone as he has authority to go in his efforts to save those who are rashly trying to push into the gold regions of Alaska from the starvation he has become satisfied from trustworthy reports sent him, awaits them when they reach there. Agents of the Treasury Department have been instructed to stretch every law and regulation to its extreme limit to keep men away from the Klondike until next spring; also to use their powers of persuasion, upon the gold hunters and to show them official communications showing the utter inadequacy of the supply of food on hand to feed those who are already in the Klondike regions during the coming long and hard winter.

Although this country has no reason to expect trouble with Spain, or with any other power, it is not unlikely that the unsettled condition of affairs in Cuba had something to do with the decision of the Navy Department to keep the north Atlantic squadron which has recently been through a very successful season of sea drill, target practice, etc., together all winter and to keep the vessels composing the squadron in the best sea-going condition. The squadron will this week rendezvous at Fort Monroe, and will later go to New York. The fact that this government has this strong squadron of fighting ships ready to proceed to sea at a day's notice, will, of itself, have a good effect upon our foreign relations with all countries, and the men and the ships will get better practice together than they could get with each ship going it alone.

"My boy came home from school one day with his hand badly lacerated and bleeding, and suffering great pain," says Mr. E. J. Schall, with Meyer Bros' Drug Co., St. Louis, Mo. "I dressed the wound, and applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely. All pain ceased and in a remarkably short time it healed without leaving a scar. For wounds, sprains, swellings and rheumatism, I know of no medicine or prescription equal to it. I consider it a household necessity." The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Tried and True.

Thousands have tried Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin for constipation, indigestion and sick headache and have found it true to the claim made for it, viz: That it is the best remedy now before the good people for the relief of stomach troubles. Trial sizes 10c, large sizes 50c and $1.00 of A. B. Armstrong & Co.

No man or woman can enjoy life or accomplish much in this world while suffering from a torpid liver. DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the pills that cleanse that organ, quickly. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

To heal the broken and diseased tissues, to soothe the irritated surfaces, to instantly relieve and to permanently cure is the mission of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

This is the best time of year to have pictures taken of your residences, barns, farms, etc. Gleason will do the work right. 25s4

A. B. Armstrong & Co. guarantee the American Silver Truss to give entire satisfaction or refund money.

CLEAR THE DECKS FOR ACTION.

The debauchery of money in politics in Pennsylvania must be halted, and it can be done if one in ten thousand of the honest men of the State shall resolutely determine that it shall be done.

The Times proposes to battle against the debauchery of money in politics regardless of individuals, parties or factions, and it will hew to the line no matter whether friend or foe shall suffer thereby. The time has come when the great State of Pennsylvania must rescue herself from the consuming shame of the boodler in politics. The battle is on and it must be fought to the death.

Let the public press of Pennsylvania be just to itself in demanding that the debauchery of our political system by the lavish use of money shall be absolutely ended. Political success gained by money is simply the success of the boodler, and it cannot be the success of good citizenship, of statesmanship or of any attribute of public virtue; and every triumph of money in politics lessens the legitimate power of legitimate journalism and makes the successful boodler the political and social master of community and State. The public press owes it to itself, and above all it owes it to its millions of readers in Pennsylvania, to strike boldly and relentlessly against those who attempt to win political honors by political debauchery.

Let the Business Men's League of Pennsylvania enter the contest. It professes to be in favor of purifying our political system. Let it strip for the battle by turning from its counsels all who have the flavor of the boodler and come to the front to make resolute and tireless battle against all who assume to win political honors by public and private corruption. There is a great field for the Business Men's League if it shall be honest with itself and honest with the people of the State; but if it shall become the plaything of faction, and thus condone political debauchery as a means to overthrow the debauchery of others, it can win only public contempt and will never be known as a factor in Pennsylvania.

Let the Business Men's League and leading public journals of the State unite to make common cause to end the use of money in politics. It has become such a blistering stain upon the people and the State that it must be halted unless individual honesty and public virtue are to be banished from political effort. Let an ample fund be raised to prosecute in the criminal courts every person who shall be guilty of the corrupt use of money in our political system, and the Times will gladly be one of fifty to contribute $1,000 each to make such a fund as will insure the thorough and fearless prosecution of every guilty person regardless of his party faith. Money in Pennsylvania politics must be stopped, and it can be done if the public press and a few honest and fearless citizens shall come to the front and demand it.—Phila. Times.

W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

CAN YOU AFFORD IT?

A merchant of New York tells the following story: "In early life I smoked six cigars a day at six and a half cents each; they averaged that. I thought to myself one day, 'I'll just put aside the money I am consuming in cigars, and all I would consume if I kept on in the habit, and I will see what it will come to by compound interest.' Last July completed thirty-nine years since by the grace of God I was emancipated from the filthy habit, and the saving amounted to the enormous sum of $29,362.02 by compound interest. We lived in the city, but the children who had learned something of the enjoyment of country life from the annual visits to their grandparents, longed for a home among the green fields. I found a very pleasant place in the country for sale. The cigar money now came into requisition, and I found that it amounted to a sufficient sum to purchase the place, and it is mine. I wish all American boys could see my children enjoy their home, as they watch the vessels with their white sails that traverse along the sound."

Now boys, take your choice; smoke without a home or a home without smoking. But, you say, I don't spend six and a half cents for every cigar. If you use cheap tobacco I want to tell you why it is cheap. It is a mixture of burdock, lamp black, sawdust, colts-foot, plantation weed, salt, fuller's earth, lime, alum, and a little tobacco. Can you afford to take such a mess as that between your lips. Benjamin Franklin said: "I never saw a well man in the exercise of common sense who would say that tobacco did good." Dr. Ferguson says: "I believe that no one who smokes tobacco before the bodily powers are developed ever makes a vigorous man." It not only injures the body but the mind also. Dr. Fisher, for a long while superintendent of the insane asylum at Northampton, Mass., says: "Fully half of the patients who have come to our asylum for treatment are the victims of tobacco." It is also the common stepping stone to the use of intoxicating beverages.

In the State prison at Auburn, N. Y., are six hundred prisoners, confined there for crimes committed while under the influence of strong drink. Five hundred of them testified that they began their intemperance by the use of tobacco.

It leads also to theft. If a boy has the taste, he must get the tobacco. If he has no money to buy it with, what will he do? He is tempted to steal. Of the first fifteen boys who were put into a certain boys' prison, ten confessed that they had stolen tobacco or the money to buy it with. Tobacco impairs the intellect. No user of tobacco has ever taken the first honors at Harvard. Tobacco robs the nation of its wealth. An eminent man says: "Put into my hands the money wasted on tobacco in the United States and I will clothe, feed and shelter all the suffering poor of this continent."

Say no! to tobacco, that poisonous weed,
Say no! to all evils; they can only lead
To shame and to sorrow. Oh shun them my boy.
For wisdom's fair pathway of peace and of joy.

MRS. F. C. HATHAWAY.

A Cure for Bilious Colic.

Resource, Screven Co., Ga.—I have been subject to attacks of bilious colic for several years. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is the only sure relief. It acts like a charm. One dose of it gives relief when all other remedies fail. G. D. Sharp. For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Hotel For Sale.

Larrabee House at Larrabee, Pa. This is one of the best locations in McKean county at junction of W. N. Y. & P. R'y. License will be transferred to right man. Call or write at once if you want a bargain.

M. L. ARMSTRONG,
Smethport, Pa

Notice.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF ADMINistrators, Executors and Guardians having been settled in the office of the Register of Wills, the same will be presented for confirmation at the Orphan's Court, to be held at Smethport, in and for the County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, on the first Monday of October, A. D. 1897.

First and final account of E. B. Sage, administrator of the estate of John Dougherty, deceased.

First and final account of Frank E. Durfey, administrator of the estate of C. A. Durfey, deceased.

First and final account of H. Shaulis, administrator of the estate of William A. Barnes, deceased.

First and final account of W. H. Dennis, administrator of the estate of Geo. B. Morgan, deceased.

First and final account of B. J. Roycroft, executor of the last will and testament of J. J. Galligan, deceased.

First and partial account of D. H. Rook, administrator of the estate of Eliza Wagner, deceased.

Final account of Geo. W. Newland, guardian of Aden W. Newland, minor child of Sarah L. Newland, deceased.

GEO. W. MITCHELL, Register,
H. M. CHOATE, Deputy.

Smethport, Pa., Sept. 5th, 1897.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 126, February Term, 1897.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Eva Wright did, on the 6th day of January, 1897, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered, into with you, Warner Wright.

We therefore command you, the said Warner Wright, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean, on the first Monday of October next to answer the petition or libel of Eva Wright, and show cause, if any you have, why the said Eva Wright, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Hereof fail not.

A true copy. J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.
J. M. McClure, Libellant's Attorney.
Smethport, Pa., Sept. 9, 1897.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY VIRTUE OF SUNDRY WRITS OF Fieri Facias, Levari Facias and Alias Fieri Facias, Pluries Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale in the Court House, in the borough of Smethport, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1897,

at 1 p. m., the following several pieces of property:

3.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, tract or parcel of land situate in the borough of Smethport, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of square No. 60 as laid out in the general plan of said borough; thence by the north line of Main street west sixty (60) feet to a post; thence north one hundred fifteen and one-half (115½) feet to the south line of an alley; thence by the south line thereof east sixty (60) feet to a post in the west line of Franklin street; thence south one hundred fifteen and one-half (115½) feet to the place of beginning. Containing six thousand, nine hundred and thirty (6930) square feet strict measure be the same more or less, being part of lot No. 8 and part of square No. 60 as aforesaid. Being the same premises conveyed to the party of the first part by Robert King and others by warranty deed dated August 18th, 1887, recorded May 2nd, 1890, in Deed Book Vol. 56, page 380, McKean County Records. Improved and having thereon one large two story and mansard frame building with two-story addition in rear, used as a hotel, and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Mary E. Bergstresser and S. L. Bergstresser at the suit of The Elmira Mutual Building Loan Association.

T. F. Richmond, plaintiff's attorney.

4.

Defendant's interest in a lot of land in the borough of Smethport, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, containing 2310 square feet, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the north line of Main street being west 60 feet from the southeast corner of square No. 60; thence by the said north line west 20 feet to the southeast corner of land contracted to O. S. Greeley; thence north 115½ feet to the northeast corner of same; thence east by the south line of the alley 20 feet to a corner; thence south 115½ feet to the place of beginning. Being part of lots Nos. 7 and 8 and part of square No. 60. Improved and having thereon one board barn.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Mary E. Bergstresser at the suit of Robert King and Eugenia Hamlin.

Bouton & Gallup, plaintiffs' attorneys.

5.

Defendant's interest in all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in the borough of Mt. Jewett, county of McKean, State of Pennsylvania, described as follows, a portion of lot No. 36 east on Kane street in said borough, being a part of Warrant No. 2303; Beginning at the northwest corner of land late of W. J. Carr; thence by said land south 26 degrees 30 minutes east one hundred and fifty feet; thence south 63 degrees 30 minutes west thirty feet; thence by land under contract to be conveyed to Gust F. Anderson by the party of the first part herein north 26 degrees 30 minutes west one hundred and fifty feet; thence by the south side of Kane street (30 feet from the center thereof) north 63 degrees 30 minutes east thirty feet to the place of beginning, this conveyance being subject to the restrictions and reservations contained in the deed of Elizabeth D. Kane to John Jacobson. Together with all and singular the improvements, ways, waters, water courses, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever unto the hereby granted premises belonging or in any wise appertaining. Improved and having thereon one two-story frame dwelling house, partially destroyed by fire, and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of John Jacobson at the suit of The Chautauqua National Building Loan and Savings Association, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York.

H. S. Rogers, plaintiff's attorney.

6.

Defendant's interest in all the following described tract of land and premises situate in the township of Norwich, in the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, being the east part of lot number eighty-two (82) and the west part of lot number ninety-one (91) in the survey made by Wm. Wilson and bounded as follows: Beginning at a post in the south line of said lot number 82, sixty-four (64) rods west from the southeast corner of said lot; thence east eighty-eight rods and twenty-two (88 22-25) links to a post in the south line of lot number 91; thence north one hundred and eighty (180) rods to a post in the north line of said lot number 91; thence west on said line eighty-eight rods and twenty-two (88 22-25) links to a post; thence south one hundred and eighty (180) rods to the place of beginning. Containing one hundred (100) acres of land. Mostly improved and having thereon one one and a half story frame dwelling house with ell attached, three board barns, two good orchards and well watered.

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7.

Defendant's interest in all that certain lot or parcel of land situate in the township of Liberty, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania: Beginning at a point in center of highway leading from Port Allegany from bridge to Smethport, and at northeast corner of Mary Kilday lot; thence by south line of Kilday lot south fifty-one degrees west twelve and four-tenths perches to the southeast corner of the same; thence by east line of Enoch Dudley lot south thirty degrees east thirteen and two-tenths perches to a post the northwest corner of Patrick Blighy; thence by line of same south seventy-four degrees east six perches; thence north sixty-three degrees east eight perches, and north twelve degrees west six and four-tenths perches to a point in center of aforesaid highway; thence by same north thirty-nine degrees west thirteen and seven-tenths perches to the place of beginning. Containing one and forty-seven one hundredths acres, strict measure either more or less. Improved and having erected thereon one large frame dwelling house with usual outbuildings, terraced yard, fruit and ornamental trees, running spring water at dwelling.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Claude Barrett at the suit of W. E. Lillibridge, use of C. Wolford.

S. W. Smith, plaintiff's attorney.

8.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece or lot of land situate, being and lying in the borough of Mt. Jewett, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, being part of Warrant 2303; Beginning at a post in the northwest corner of lot No. 3 on east side of Anderson street extension; thence southeast to land of S. A. Raymond one hundred and fifty feet to a post; thence south 3 degrees 30 minutes west fifty feet to the northeast corner of lot No. 7 now owned by Thos. R. White; thence northwest along the north line of said land one hundred and fifty feet to Anderson street; thence north 3 degrees 30 minutes east along said street fifty feet to the place of beginning. Containing 7500 square feet more or less, known as lot No. 5 as is shown on map made by W. W. Henschey, being the same land conveyed by Francis L. Dowler and Hattie May Dowler to the party of the first part hereto by deed dated [illegible] 1893 and intended to be recorded with this conveyance. This conveyance is made subject to all restrictions and reservations mentioned in said deed. Improved and having thereon one one-story frame dwelling house with ell, one small frame barn, one water well and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of August Peterson at the suit of H. J. Sorell assignee of H. S. Rogers.

H. S. Rogers, plaintiff's attorney.

9.

Defendant's interest in all those certain pieces of land situate in Bradford city, McKean county, Pennsylvania, and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the west side of East Main street, said point being the southeasterly corner of land sold to J. J. O'Connor; thence westerly at right angles with said street forty feet more or less to the right of way of the B. & W. Railway; thence south along said right of way one hundred feet more or less to a point where said right of way meets the line of the street; thence north along said street one hundred feet more or less to the place of beginning.

Also—that other piece of land situate in said city, county and State, and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the northeasterly line of East Main street, said point being the northeasterly corner of land owned by A. W. Newell; thence northwest at right angles with said street seventy feet more or less to the right of way of the B. & W. Railway company; thence along the said right of way twenty-five feet to a point; thence southerly at right angles with said street seventy-six feet to a point in the line of said street and thence westerly along said street twenty-five feet to the place of beginning. Together with two oil wells, one boiler, two engines, tank and all the tubing, casing, pipe, rigs, ropes, fittings, fixtures, machinery, &c., situated on the two above described pieces of land and thereto belonging.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of E. M. Wheeler at the suit of A. J. Edgett.

Berry & Edgett, plaintiff's attorneys.

10.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate, lying and being in the township of Keating, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a post [illegible]

[illegible] M. Young, recorded in Deed Book Vol. 29, page 540, etc. Unimproved.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of C. M. Young at the suit of C. A. [illegible]

Bouton & Gallup, plaintiff's attorneys.

11.

Defendant's interest in all the following described piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and in the county of McKean: Beginning at the northeast corner of land of Philip Haller, west one hundred fifty-two (152) rods to a post; north one hundred nineteen rods and eight-tenths of a rod (119.8) to a post; east one hundred twenty-seven and seven-tenths rods (127.7) to northwest corner of lands of Holmes & Co. (No. 11); south forty-four rods (44) to a post; east twenty-four and three-tenths rods (24.3) to a post; south seventy-five and eight-tenths rods (75.8) to the beginning. Containing one hundred nine acres and eight-tenths of an acre (109.8) strict measure, be the same more or less, being lot No. 12 of the allotment of Kesting & Co. and in Keating and Eldred townships and part of Warrants Nos. 2230 and 2231. Mostly improved and having thereon one two story frame dwelling house with ell attached, three board barns, two orchards and well watered.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Jacob Divel at the suit of J. W. Bouton, Att'y.

Bouton & Gallup, plaintiff's attorneys.

12.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Bradford city (formerly Bradford township) McKean county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at an iron post in the northwest corner of Mechanic and Venango streets; thence N 16 degrees 15 minutes east by the west line of Mechanic street fifty (50) feet to a post; thence westerly one hundred and fifty-seven (157) feet to a post in the east line of Maplewood avenue said post being also distant southerly by east line of Maplewood avenue 86½ feet from an iron post in the southwest corner of land deeded to Roy Edgett by Harlow Pike et al by deed dated May 27th 1890; thence thence southerly by the east line of Maplewood avenue forty-four and ½ (44½) feet to an iron post at the northeast corner of Maplewood avenue and Venango street; thence easterly by the north line of Venango street one hundred and fifty-seven (157) feet to the place of beginning, being parts of lots 7 and 93 as shown on map of the Pike farm. Together with all and singular the buildings, improvements, woods ways, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining. Improved.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Mary Husser and W. J. Hussey at the suit of A. A. Armstrong and Robert L. Edgett.

Berry & Edgett, plaintiff's attorneys.

13.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the city of Bradford, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post on the south side of Pleasant street at the northwest corner of old village lot No. 202; thence south one hundred (100) feet; thence east fifty (50) feet; thence north one hundred (100) feet to Pleasant street; thence west along Pleasant street fifty (50) feet to the place of beginning. Containing five thousand (5000) square feet, and being the same property conveyed by A. W. Newell et ux to David Neal by deed dated December 2nd, 1889, and recorded in the Recorder's office of McKean county in Deed Book Vol. 74, page 261, &c. Together with all and singular the buildings, improvements, woods ways, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances, &c. Improved and having thereon one and a half story frame dwelling house and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of David Neal at the suit of Wm. H. Powers and John McCrum, executors of the estate of Alexander Urquhart, now for use of the county of McKean.

T. F. Richmond, plaintiff's attorney.

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J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Pa., Sept. 10, 1897.

T. H. Purtle,
Smethport, Pa.,

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One Three Spring Wagon
Two Farm Wagons, 4-in. tires
One Heavy Lumber Wagon
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These will be sold at cost:

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2000 feet of clear pine siding
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OF WALL PAPER

A big reduction in price to make room for new goods. All white back papers that have sold at 8c the double roll will be closed at 5c double roll. Side wall and ceiling to match at same price. Nine inch borders 2c a yard.

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In our Crockery Department we are offering:

100 piece Dinner Sets for $9.00, $10.00 and $11.00	
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Remember about our Carpets, Linoleum, Matting, Oil Cloth, Etc.

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Only a sample order will convince you that You're with Us,

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These are a few of the lines that you can best buy at this store.

Best, because we have the largest variety. You can get just what you want.

Best, because we buy lower and sell lower than any other store around here.

Best, because we know what articles in each line will serve you best. We know the whole market, and choose our stock only after tests.

It is fun to trade at the store, but the lasting satisfaction is better than the fun. Try it.

EMERY & WEAVER,
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Hammocks.
Forty styles for selections, running as low as 50 cents.

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Peerless freezers greatly reduced. The 2-qt size now $1.50.

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Japanese curtains that roll $1.25

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In nearly a hundred styles.
Pretty water sets cost less here than in any store that we know.

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A dozen styles from $1.50 up.

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Jewett filters—$1.50.
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Made in many styles at 75 cents and up.

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Forty styles of dinner sets $6 up
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We handle all kinds of foreign and American china, and make our own importations.

Glassware.
20 styles of table tumblers.
Glasses for every purpose.
Cut glass in all the newest cuttings.

Builders' Hardware.
The largest variety that any builder desires.

Paints.
Rubber Paint is sold here only.
Dry paints—mixed paints—varnishes—stains—oils—everything.

Kitchen Utensils.
Five hundred of the latest utensils. Aluminum cooking ware reduced.

Reliable Ranges.
These best of all ranges—made in 45 styles—are sold here only.
We sell 500 stoves per year.

Gas Fixtures.
We show every style of fixture that is on the market; and we sell lower than larger cities.

Watches.
We handle the best makes, in all sizes, all styles of cases.
Prices lower than any exclusive jewelry store could afford.

Harness.
The best single harness that is sold anywhere at $17.50.
A very large variety of harness and of horse goods.

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Plated ware from the three best American makers.
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This great supply house got its trade by saving people's money

Mention the Miner when writing or calling.

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GENERAL MERCHANTS,

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SMETHPORT FRIDAY SEPT 17, 1897

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Lock Haven has a new glass plant

—Wash Starks will soon have his new washer started

—The annual exodus of our college students is at hand

—The Randall divorce suit has held court most of the week

—The front of the Gleason building on Main street has been repainted

—Read F Davis's a three weeks continued story running in the MINER.

—The dance at East Smethport last Friday evening was a social success.

—The Philadelphia Sunday Times is a library in itself. Secure a copy

—During this dry spell a little corn will be greatly relished by your ...

—... Godding formerly of the Mt Jewett Herald is now on the Kane Republican

—... a number and his sheep are on more ... at the price of wool ...

—... fair will be held Sept ... As usual there will be ...

—New planks have been placed on the ... "Extra brook," east of the ... creek bridge

—The county convention of the W. C. T. U. will begin Sept 22 instead of ... at Rixford

—There are several bad places in the sidewalk on East street that should be repaired without delay

—The Philadelphia Sunday Inquirer is not to be excelled It is full of very interesting reading matter

—The eleventh annual convention of Christian Endeavor will be held at Easton this state Oct 5-7, inclusive

—Mrs Maggie Kilduff was committed ... Monday by Justice Steinhauer of Clermont on the charge of malicious mischief

—The drill was started last Wednesday on the new gas well near Clermont. May success crown the efforts of the undertakers.

—Until Thursday not a drop of rain fell here during this month Crops of all kinds are suffering and meadows are drying up

—The Ladies' Home Journal for September was grand and the October number promises to be exceptionally fine and very interesting

—Sixty years ago where now stands the city of Bradford was a dense wilderness What a change two-thirds of a century has wrought

—All who are interested in the Chautauqua Circle, are requested to meet at Mrs Judge Morrison's home Friday at 4 p m, Sept. 17

—Ford's Red Front, Olean, has an interesting essay on ladies' shoes this week in their advertisement that is well worth your time to peruse

—The Oak Leather Harness & Carriage Co. of Olean is headquarters for everything in the horse furnishing line. See advertisement.

—Workmen have been engaged for several days making extensive repairs on the residence of C K Sartwell, which will be occupied by G W Mitchell

—There was quite a large delegation of K O T M and L O T M, went from here to Ormsby last Friday night They reported a most enjoyable time

—A fine hardwood floor has been laid in the store of Lindholm & Co, in order to support the large assortment of goods coming on from New York City

—You cannot legally kill partridge, woodcock and squirrels until Oct 15 The season closes Dec 1 Rabbit shooting does not commence until Nov 1

—Robt Feree, the fashionable tailor, has a change in his advertisement this week that it will pay you to read He does first class work so give him a trial.

The following letters remains uncalled for in the post office at Smethport for the week ending Sept. 11 Miss Eloise Perkins, Leon Linn, John Linn, Nellie ...

The following people have been ... Beaumont and Johanna Fleming Mt. Alton, Joseph Strasbell and Kate Fisher of Bradford.

—Andrews & Conkling, Olean announce a special drive in wall paper this week in their advertisement. Some marvelous bargains can be secured of this popular firm

—For the offertory at St. Stephen's church yesterday Fred Berryman sang "Jerusalem" The piece which is a very beautiful one, was very finely rendered —Olean Times.

—Cards are out announcing the marriage of W J Broder and Miss Genevieve Chapman of Bradford The happy event takes place Sept. 2? at ... p m, at the Church of the Ascension

—The second bicycle meet will be held at the driving at St Marys on Saturday, Oct 2, at 2 p m A fine list of prizes is offered Entry list closes at 9 o'clock p m on Friday, Sept. 24

—The first of the week a gentleman, who does not wish his name published, said he would give three acres of land situated on the line of the B, B & K. R R as a location for a glass plant.

—The art and music pupils of Mrs. Adelaide B Sanborn extend an invitation to the public to be present at their musicale and art exhibition next Friday evening, Sept 24 at the M E parsonage

—D. B. Heiner of Kittanning, Pa, has been appointed United States District Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania by President McKinley to succeed Harry Alvan Hall, whose term expired sometime ago

—Last Tuesday night two burglars, who were caught in the act, were lynched at Osgood, Ind, by the infuriated citizens owing to repeated burglaries, where was ... brutality had been inflicted on the unfortunate victims.

—Canandaigua won the pennant in the New York State League. Fred McFall and John Nelson, both well known to Smethport base ball fans, were members of this club. Lyons, for which Tull has pitched so successfully this season, finished in fourth place.

—Foster Studholme had the misfortune to hurt his knee again one day last week About a year ago he sprained his knee and it has never regained its accustomed strength. It laid him up a few days this time but he is now able to attend to his duties at Wells drug store

—Black diphtheria has made its appearance at Chipmunk The wife and daughter of Frank Shafer are seriously ill with the disease and the house has been quarantined There is some talk of closing the Chipmunk schools to prevent the spread of the disease —Olean Times.

—Last Saturday night as the evening train from Larabee was leaving that station, M. Hahnlein attempted to board the train while in motion He slipped and fell between the car step and platform dislocating his left shoulder and bruising his left arm very severly. Dr Clark set the shoulder

—During the last week several gentlemen have been heard to remark about the excellent condition of the road between here and Bradford via Simpson. Supervisor Fritz has been receiving commendation on every hand for the manner in which he has repaired the roads in his bailiwick. His section is simply fine

—Fred Tarbell who for several years was manager of the local Postal Telegraph office in this city and Miss Cora Holcomb of Portville, were married in Rochester Thursday. Mr and Mrs. Tarbell are well known in this vicinity and have a number of friends who will wish them a happy married life.—Olean Ledger

—The ball game last Saturday resulted in a victory for Smethport. The Austin team was simply out classed The score as near as can be learned was 23 to 6 Fuller pitched for the home team and as usual did well "Paddy" Maher's smiling face beamed on the Smethport fans once more He played left field for the local team in his usual happy style.

—The exercises known as the forty hour devotion opened at St. Elizabeth's church last Sunday morning after mass, and closed Wednesday at 10 o'clock. Rev Father Flood was assisted by Reverend Fathers Butler of Eldred, Cosgrove of Cartwell and Smith of Limestone, N. Y. There was a very general attendance during the the three days the service continued

—Burgess Hogarth has vetoed the ordinance recently passed by the Smethport council permitting a second gas company to lay pipes in the streets of that boro. If the veto stands, the Smethport Gas Co. will have the exclusive right to furnish gas to Smethport consumers. Such exclusive franchises are contrary to the principles of our free government and generally productive of oppression —Potter Journal

—The Times learned last night from reliable authority that Salamanca parties have secured a lease of the entire reservation, some 7000 acres, not previously leased by the Seneca Oil Co. John Quilter of Salamanca is said to have the new lease, but who he represents does not appear. He claims to be the sole owner, but the lease is made out to the "Poor Man's Oil Co" The 7000 acres includes all of the reservation territory on both sides of the Allegany river from the southwest line of the town of Coldspring extending to the Pennsylvania State line. —Olean Times.

—A benevolent Boston woman, who is sorry for the poor seals which are being exterminated for the sake of their skins, proposes that American women shall come to their relief by declining to wear seal skin coats. The suggestion is kind but not valuable. If the seals can't be protected, they will be wiped out, but it will not be the fault of the women who wear seal-skins, but of the government of Great Britain. Meanwhile, if the Boston women really want to help the seals, let them start a fashion of using the scalps of Canadian seal-hunters for trimming. That might really do some good.—Harper's Weekly.

—Two more good wells have been added to the Watsonville pool. Drilling in the vicinity of Watsonville is almost at a standstill, but what is being done has an important bearing on the production of the pool. Mallory & Co's No. 9 on Lot 6 was drilled in Monday and started flowing at an estimated rate of 20 barrels an hour The well was expected to define the southern limit of the pool, but it seems that it is directly on the belt. The Devonian Oil Co's No. 3 on the Haffey lot, east of Lot 6, was also completed Monday and is reported to be flowing at about the same rate as Mallory & Co's gusher.—Olean Times Wednesday.

—According to its size, it is probable that the Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburg R'y carried more passengers into Buffalo during the recent national encampment of the G A R. in the city August 23-28, than any other line. More than 6,000 people were carried into Buffalo during the period named, entirely without accident and without delay of any consequence. No person was injured and not one piece of baggage was lost. These facts speak volumes for the management of the company, the methods in force, and the excellent service offered by this road which is daily growing in popularity. Speed safety and splendid accommodations are always in demand by the traveling public.

An Enthusiastic Meeting.

The citizens' meeting at the hose house parlors last Saturday evening was well attended by the tax payers of our borough. Before the meeting had been called to order Andrew Reilly arose and made a few pointed remarks, showing the reasons why manufacturing plants had not located here in the past. Mr. Reilly correctly claimed that a proper effort had not been made by the citizens and that prices for fuel etc had been too high

The meeting was called to order about 8:15, and Judge Morrison was chosen chairman In a few well chosen words Mr Morrison urged upon the citizens the necessity of pulling together, saying in the course of his remarks that the number of people in our town was too small to split up into factions, but that they should work jointly for the good of the town

F L Holmes was chosen secretary, and upon taking his position read a communication from Alba I, Gilfillan, written from New York City. Mr. Gilfillan had had an interview with the leading officials of the Vacuum Glass Jar Co., who formerly had a plant located in a New Jersey town which was destroyed by fire, and set forth the advantages of Smethport as a new location for the plant. The officials seemed to think the town favorable for their works and were particularly pleased with the specimens of the rock which abounds in unlimited quantities in this vicinity Mr Gilfillan urged Mr Holmes to act at once in the matter and call a meeting of our citizens, as there was a number of other towns after the industry, among them, Titusville, Pa.

After the reading of this letter Col. L. Rogers was called upon to express his views on the subject. Mr. Rogers arose and in a neat little speech offered to donate five acres of land as a location for the plant. This liberal offer was greeted with applause. The land in question is favorable located for the purpose, being close to the B, B & K tracks and but a short distance from the W N Y & P R y

Mr Reilly then explained the advantages of the sand rock in this section, which he said had been pronounced by an expert geologist to be 96 per cent pure glass He concluded his remarks by saying "Gentlemen, we have the glass sand and you should have the other sand necessary to induce this plant to locate here "

W P Walsh then handed to the secretary a letter from Supt J C McKenna of the B, B & K. R R, in which that gentleman offered the lowest possible freight rates.

T H. Hungiville was called upon for his views in regard to land from which this sand rock can be obtained Mr. Hungiville replied that there were 200 acres of land adjoining the B, B & K track a short distance west of this borough, which contained rock enough "to run a million glass factories a million years." He also stated that this land could be purchased at a very low figure.

D C. Young, on behalf of the Smethport Gas Co., offered to supply gas to the concern at the rate of 7 cents per 1,000 feet, providing it is a permanent industry He thought it advisable to investigate the standing of the glass company in question and to have them also investigate our advantages and inducements

On motion, which was unanimously adopted by the meeting, Mr Holmes was authorized to write to this company, informing them that a large meeting of the citizens had been held and had recommended the sending of a representative of the company to this place to look over the ground. The offers and inducements quoted above were to be added to the letter in the form of a resolution.

Upon motion a committee was selected to receive this representative, should he come, also to have all other matters in charge and with authority to call a meeting at any time. Chairman Morrison appointed the following gentlemen as members of this committee D. H. Quinlisk, Warley Gifford F W. Brownell, D. C Young and W. P Walsh

Then the most successful and enthusiastic meeting of its kind ever held in this borough was adjourned

The chances for Smethport securing this industry seem bright indeed. No company on earth could reasonably ask for any better advantages, natural and otherwise, than could be supplied them by the borough of Smethport.

The letter from Sup't McKenna mentioned above is an encouraging communication Mr. McKenna's offer is practically this: The material will be hauled to the works free of charge, providing the glass company sends it freight over the B, B. & K. line. The freight rates on this road will be made as low as possible if the company decides to give it its patronage. However, if the W N Y. & P R'y makes a lower rate on the freight traffic than is possible for the B., B. & K. to compete with, then the latter road will charge a low price for drawing the stone, but will do the switching necessary to transfer the freight to the other line free of charge. Sup't McKenna is heartily in favor of advancing the interests of this borough

Mr. Gilfillan's letter stated that this company made an improved glass fruit jar and aside from the glass part also made rubbers and springs necessary to make the jar complete. He stated that they expected to employ 150 people at the start.

Every citizen of this town should do all in his power to induce this company to come here. If one industry comes others will follow. Let us make a united effort to secure this plant.

Dunsmore—Lierd.

D. M. Dunsmore of West Reynoldsville, road dispatcher on the A. V. R'y, and Mrs. M. B. Lierd of Smethport, Pa., will be married in the Grace Episcopal Rectory at Ridgway at 11:00 a. m., today, Sept. 8, by Rev. George Rogers, rector of the church above named. They leave Ridgway at 12:10 p. m, over the Pennsylvania railroad for Atlantic City and Avalon, New Jersey, where they will remain a fortnight. They will reside in West Reynoldsville. Mr. Dunsmore holds a good position on the A. V. R'y, is well liked on the road and is a prominent citizen of the town in which he lives. The lady whom he marries has relatives in West Reynoldsville and is highly spoken of. The Star extends congratulations and wishes Mr. and Mrs. Dunsmore, a pleasant and successful voyage on the matrimonial sea.—Reynoldsville Star.

Something to Depend On.

Mr James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develope into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at A. B. Armstrong & Co's Drug Store

When in Olean stop at the Palm Restaurant, 1?0 Union street, Olean, N. Y. Meals 25c.

35-41 A. B. LEAREYS, Prop'r.

PERSONAL MENTION.

A. D. Doyle of Ormsby attended court this week

Elisha K. Kane of Kushequa was in town yesterday

F M Windsor of Burtville drove over on Sunday last.

Mrs. B D Christley of Colegrove was in town yesterday

T H Morrison returned to Williams College last Tuesday

W B Clarke was in Bradford on official business Tuesday

Miss Lucy Backus came home from a visit to Olean Saturday

Neil McEwen of Kane was in town attending court this week

H W. Burlingame returned from his western trip last Tuesday

F N Taylor of Gardeau was greeting old friends here Tuesday.

Surveyor M J Hadley of Port Allegany was in town yesterday

Judge A G Olmsted of Coudersport presided at court this week

W W Bell of Bradford transacted business here Monday night

Mrs T D Nash returned from New York City Tuesday last

A C Rice of Bradford was transacting business here Wednesday

Conductor E O Richmond was greeting old friends in town Monday

Editor Churchill of the Bradford Star was in town on business Tuesday

J H Connolly of Kew City was transacting business in town this week

Ex Senator J W Lee of Emporium was in town attending court this week

Miss Eva Beers of Bradford spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Frastus Curtis

Mrs J I Anderson returned to her home in Mayville, Kansas, last Monday

Sherd Gorton, Jr, and Vic Bolton wheeled to Bradford last Saturday

Editor Tom McClellan of the Mt Jewett Herald was in town Tuesday night

Chas. G Brevillier of Erie fills the position of court stenographer this week

Fred Brownell and family went to Armour, N Y, for a visit last Monday

John Beaström, the prominent lumberman of Hazel Hurst, was in town Monday

Mrs Chas Bosworth and her two children returned to their home in Brooklyn to day

Capt Edward Frawley of Bradford was a witness at the great divorce suit Wednesday

J Stoutenburg (Tammany John) is a guest at the Grand Central Where is A J Martin?

Mr and Mrs J Heber McCandless returned home from Petoskey Mich, last Friday

Mrs L H Long of Brooklyn N Y, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. T H Ryan over Sunday

Roy Gifford left for Cleveland Monday to renew his studies at the school of applied science

Mrs I A Barnsdall and daughters of Bradford were guests at the Central during the week

Ex Senator Bannon was over from Bradford the first of the week greeting his many old friends.

J F Keating, Louis Steinhauer and W E Butts of Clermont were in town on business Tuesday

Chas Latham came home Saturday and spent Sunday with his family returning to Warren Monday

W W Tate of Wellsboro spent Sunday in town and of course enjoyed himself visiting with old comrades

Walter B Moore and wife of Gardeau, old time friends of ye editor, were guests at the Central Tuesday

Editor Caskey of the Austin Autograph was in town Monday and was a very pleasant caller at this office

S D Weaver and wife were taking in the sights of Olean, Rock City and Bradford Friday and Saturday last

A Molander, J H Nelson, G H Sparks and O Heglin all of Mt Jewett were in town on business Tuesday

Mrs A T Lloyd Aurora, S D a former resident of this place is a guest of Mr and Mrs A B Armstrong

Ralph Burdick left to day for Findley, N Y, on his wheel to join Mrs. Burdick who is there on a visit to her mother.

Postmaster J. H Reed of Clermont was greeting friends in town Wednesday He reports things booming at Clermont.

Harry Weaver departed Tuesday morning for Glen Charles where he has secured a position in Dollver's saw mill at that place.

Mayor Geo Fagnan was over from Bradford Monday The cares of office seem to rest lightly on his shoulders and he is the same genial Geo De Fag

B D Hamlin, A B Armstrong and W D Gallup will visit Kane to day as viewers appointed by court to decide as to the advisability of erecting a bridge there across the P & E tracks

Lynds Dodge of Valley Station, Ky, a cousin of D C and W A Young who sixty years ago resided at Portville, arrived here Wednesday night and is diligently at work hunting up old settlers of that early period

J H Riesdorph of Windon, Minn, a veteran of the late war, who has been here for some time on a visit to his sister, Mrs Lucretia L Freeman was a most agreeable caller at this office Tuesday He departed for his western home Wednesday and the MINER will visit him there weekly

A Daring Robbery

Two daring sneak thieves made a good haul at the American Express Company's office on Main street, Tuesday They secured about $200 in currency and checks and made their escape before the theft was discovered

The express company officials and employees are very reticent concerning the affair and absolutely refuse to divulge the facts in connection therewith.

From other sources it has been learned that the robbery was committed at the noon hour, on Tuesday. The clerks and drivers were all out of the office and Agent F. A McKenzie was seated at his desk near the window counting money, when two men entered It seems that one of the men had been in the office a few days before and consulted with Mr McKenzie relative to business which he said he wanted to transact with the company. Mr. McKenzie walked back to the rear part of the office to talk with the man and left the money and checks lying on his desk While Mr. McKenzie was engaged in conversation one of the men slipped his hand through the heavy wire grating and clutched the money and papers. The thief then walked leisurely out of the door and was soon followed by his pal.

When Mr. McKenzie discovered the theft, he made a hasty search for the robbers, but they had disappeared.—Bradford Era.

What is Done With the Money

The members of the base ball club are often asked what is done with all the money they get The following statement of the game played last Saturday, shows where it goes

Rail road fares Austin team	$1?.??
Hotel bill	3.50
Two balls,	2.50
Two bats	2.00
Printing	1.50
Bus fares.	1.?0
Livery rig to Ormsby for Mr Maher	1.50
W H Fuller	3.00
Total	$??.??
Gate receipts.	16.?5
Amount club goes in the hole	$1?.??

One-half the crowd in attendance was from out of town.

Bronchitis.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup absolutely cures Bronchitis and all other diseases of the Throat and Lungs. It gives instant relief and will cure the worst cough. It is a guaranteed remedy Sold by Chadwick's Drug Store.

For Rent.

On Oct. 1st the rooms over Lemmler's harness shop will be vacant. These are fine rooms and the rent is reasonable. Inquire of R. C. GLEASON, Smethport, Pa.

35-tf

Good house and lot for sale Inquire at this office or of the undersigned.

tf H. S. COWEN.

Gleason, the photographer, is now ready to take pictures of your residences.

CORRESPONDENCE.

LARABEE.

The blackberry harvest is nearly over

The song of the threshing machine is heard in the land once more and the song it sings maketh the heart of the farmer glad

The green corn roast on the picnic grounds Monday evening was most hugely enjoyed by our young people

Mrs. Wm Galutia and daughter, Theo of Haymaker are visiting at the home of S. I Carpenter

Our fishermen returned Tuesday morning with smiling faces and a beautiful catch of fish

S W Smith, Esq, one of Port Allegany's most able attorneys, passed through town Monday en route for the county seat

Mrs. P Miller of Turtle Point was a guest at the home of Mrs Oscar Carpenter Monday

A large number of our people attended the Olean street fair Wednesday and Thursday

Mrs. W H Frentis was the guest of Dr Berry and wife at Olean last week

Mrs Flora Hall, accompanied by her daughter, Emma Adams, departed Thursday for an extended visit among friends and relatives in Bath, N Y

Our enterprising merchant, A J Champlain, is repainting his store front and in many other ways has added to the appearance of the place

There have been many changes in our band during the past few months—old members have withdrawn and new ones have taken their places, but as we listened to the exquisite music rendered Friday evening, we could not but feel proud of our boys.

ART

TURTLE POINT

We wish to correct the item in last week's Reporter The Bush that was out on the wild western raid with Constable Shurtz and the Eldred constable was not Charles Bush, but his son, Will of Gardeau, Ia

I I Knapp and wife of this place attended the street fair at Olean Thursday last.

George Bently and wife of this place were doing business in Port Allegany Monday of this week

K C Campbell of State Line Mills was calling on friends in this place Thursday of last week

Mrs Mary Campbell and sister, Hattie ... Helwig of Austin, Potter county, Pa, were visiting friends and relatives in this place last week

Salvin Strang of Kosch ... is very ... with typhoid fever at this writing

W F Smith and wife of Port Allegany were calling on A ... and family of this place Tuesday of this week

A serious accident happened to the three year-old daughter While watching a train pass her home she fell from a window to the ground to feet below The little one was rendered unconscious for some time but is quite comfortable at this writing The accident occurred Tuesday

S. W Smith was doing business in this place Monday

T. F Knapp, and J C Duell have purchased a new saw mill near Mt Alton

ANNIN CREEK

They that live in glass houses should never throw stones

C A Dolley and wife of Port Allegany were seen on our streets Sunday

S E Wightman attended the Hornellsville fair last week

Timmy Barton and wife were over from Rixford recently

Andrew Kinney and family of Henry's visited in this place the latter part of last week

Mrs F C Cooper and son, Ralph, returned to Mina, Sunday, after a few days visit in this place

Some of our farmers are having their oat threshed They seem to be turning out pretty well

Rev Langmaie is visiting in Olean at East Otto this week

E. G. Tubbs and wife went to Port Allegany Monday

About a dozen of our citizens took in the street fair at Olean

S. E. Cooper and wife and Elwin Cooper and wife attended the Meale family reunion at Bolivar last Thursday

There was a large turnout at the Kinney reunion last Saturday held in D Simpson's grove at Turtle Point

A B Knapp and family of Sartwell Creek were in town Sunday

Sunday School picnic in this place next Saturday A good time is expected

Lel Winship is home from Cross Fork at this writing

Civil Court.

Civil court convened Monday afternoon at 2 o clock. Judges Olmsted and Morrison were both present The following cases were continued

G. W. Venable & Co vs J. I. Andrews ...; ... Perkins & Co vs ... & Co ... assumpsit T F Mullin vs K H Gibbs ... appeal; ... and Adin Curtis vs Clark Bros ... at ...; ... Chase and C H Boxford vs A. A. Stout; ... Holden and Matthias Snyder and A W Eggleston vs Flora ... A Newell ...; ...

Twenty nine applications were ... naturalization papers

Old People

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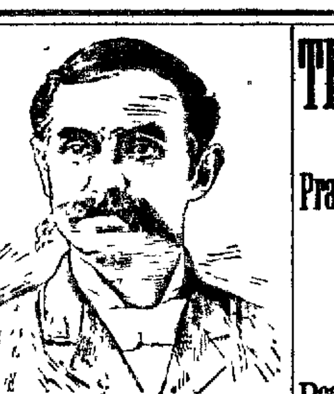
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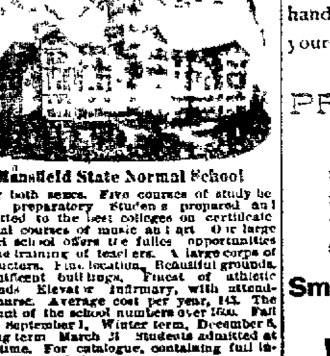
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N C GALLUP Administrator

Colegrove, Pa. Sept. 4, 1897 —36-41

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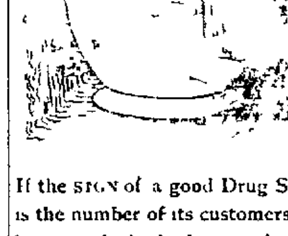
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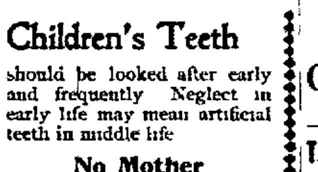
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NAMES FROM INDIANS

THEY ARE ATTACHED TO AMERICAN LAKES, RIVERS AND TOWNS

Some Interesting Information Concerning Their Origin—They Contain Curious Bits of Native Thought or Fancy, History or Tradition.

Just as the history of Celtic Roman Saxon, Dane and Norman occupation is marked in England by the geographical names that these various peoples have left so in our own country the many Indian names of rivers, lakes mountains, districts and towns remain a permanent witness, independent of written history, to the fact that the red man possessed the land before us.

Here, as in other parts of the world, "language adheres to the soil when the lips that spoke it have been resolved in to dust. Mountains repeat and rivers murmur the voices of nations denationalized or extirpated in their own land."

The Indian names that dot the map of America are full of meaning. Many of them, when translated, are found to contain curious bits of native thought or fancy, history or tradition. Some like Niagara and Oregon are so euphonious that they easily lend themselves to the uses of the poet. Others such as Mooseeemagauntic, Mollichunkamunk Wellokenepacook, are as savage as were the people that originated them.

Indian geographical names are very similar in origin to their personal names. The Dakota Indians of the present day have applied to General Crook the name Wi-can-hpa-yamni (Three Stars), in allusion to the stars on the shoulder strap of a general's uniform, and the one suggests the name by which the Chinese are known to them—Pe-sa-han-yan-hab-aka (scalp lock).

This same quality of poetic descriptiveness is seen in most of their local and their river names. Modern explorers and geographers often apply personal names to natural objects, and thus we have Mount Hood, Pike's peak, the Mackenzie river, Hudson bay and many others. The Indians never did this though sometimes they gave their tribal names to rivers near which they lived. The Hudson river was known to the Indians of New York as M[illegible] the river of the [illegible] true name of the [illegible] was [illegible] pewihittuck the [illegible] of the Lenni or Delawares.

The Assiniboin [illegible] have left their [illegible] river and a town [illegible] stone people [illegible] until we learn that [illegible] the other Indians [illegible] any but boiled their food [illegible] redhot stones in watertight vessels of bark. Chippeway [illegible] a name that refers to [illegible] which these Indians [illegible] robes, the points [illegible] and before Eskimo is an Algonquin word meaning eaters of raw fish. Zuni, the people of the [illegible] allude to the fact that the medicine men of this pueblo always wore their [illegible] long.

A South Carolina river which now bears the prosaic name of Broad was known to the Indians as Eswawpuddenah, the dividing river after a bloody battle which made this stream the dividing line between the Catawbas and the Cherokees. The name Pocotaw [illegible] has much the same meaning. Devil's lake, in North Dakota, is or known to the Indians as Minnewankan the mysterious water. This saw the ruin a terrible battle fought on its banks many years ago the contending warriors [illegible] they slew each other pitched the dead over the precipice into the deep water until very few were left. Since then mysterious sounds are heard in the neighborhood, and the Indians will not drink the water nor eat fish that are taken from it.

Genesee or Genisseo means beautiful valley. Onondaga on the hills. Canandaigua, place chosen for a settlement. Omaha, to go against the current. Attacapas, man eaters. Chitimacha (La.), they possess cooking vessels. Athapasca, place of hay and reeds. Yankton end village. Sisseton village. Owatonna, straight. Wasca, rich. Winona little daughter (a town in Wisconsin) perpetuates the name of an Indian girl who, being disappointed in love, cast herself into Lake Pepin from a point called Maiden rock and was drowned. The same story, but without the name appears in many other Lovers' Leaps in various parts of our country.

Kanawha is a descript [illegible] meaning [illegible] it is long. [illegible] bosque, the place of [illegible] Wabasha means red [illegible] Passamaquoddy is an Indian word for pollock fish [illegible] of the place [illegible] to the Indians as Chocola [illegible] Delaware Indians called eastern Pennsylvania Wiquakikung, endless land.

The names of about half of the states and territories of the Union are of Indian origin. Alaska means the great land. Alabama here we rest. Arkansas bow on the smoky water. Connecticut long river, Dakota, friendly. Idaho gem of the mountains. Illinois, the men. Iowa, drowsy ones. Kansas smoky water. Kentucky at the head of the river. Massachusetts the place of great trees. Michigan a fish weir. Minnesota, whitish water. Mississippi great river. Missouri great muddy (river). Nebraska, shallow water. Ohio beautiful (river). Oklahoma, red people or beautiful land. Oregon great river of the west. Tennessee river of the great bend. Texas, friendly. Utah dwellers in the mountains. Wisconsin wild rushing river. Wyoming broad plains.—John Hawkins in Philadelphia Times.

CHEERED THE CENSOR

How a Gallant Irish Regiment Took an After Battle Scolding.

The leading regiment of our column was the Fifty third commanded that day by Major Payn afterward General Sir William Payn, K. C. B., a very fine regiment which, being mostly Irish men, were eager to meet their enemy. Meanwhile I received orders to cross the river by a ford and get round the enemy's right flank and had gone for this purpose, and was crossing about a quarter of a mile lower down when suddenly I heard loud cheering and a heavy musketry fire and then I saw our troops gallantly advancing across the bridge to the assault. It turned out to be the Fifty third, who, tired of delay under fire, and it was whispered hearing that Sir Colin had sent for his pet Highlanders to take the bridge, took their bits between their teeth and without any further orders determined to rush the bridge themselves—which they accordingly did and with great success. The enemy once forced out of their position, showed but a poor disorderly fight, and as at Cawnpur, fell an easy prey to the cavalry, who, having crossed, some by the bridge and others, including myself by the ford, fell on them and pursued them with such success that we captured every gun they had.

The Fifty-third were well pleased with themselves and the result of the fight they had so suddenly initiated. But we heard that Sir Colin was greatly annoyed with them, and after the action rated them soundly for their insubordination. But little did those wild Irishmen care, they had had their fight and a real good one, so far as they were concerned, and as Sir Colin concluded his speech of rebuke they gave him three cheers, and giving three cheers more for General Mansfield. Sir Colin's chief of the staff (who had formerly commanded their regiment), that quite upset the chief's equanimity but at the same time cleared away his wrath.—"Old Memories," by General Sir Hugh Gough.

THE MOB

We dragged him out of the jail at night
And out of the reach of aid,
And through the night through gloomy chaparral
We marched in a grim parade
('Twas not for the evil heart he had
He was no worse than we
But he was tempted and we were not,
And we all were as bad as he.)

So we swung him soul to an Other world
While the moon hid [illegible] serene,
A [illegible] of the [illegible] man
With [illegible]
('Twas [illegible] the evil heart he had.
He was tempted more than we
And not a man in the sullen crew
Was better or worse than he.)

—Town Topics.

LIFE IN MEXICO

Housekeeping Under Difficulties—How Clothes Are Washed—The Cook's Domain.

An American woman would grow gray headed in a month if she attempted to keep house in Mexico on the same plan pursued by the native housewives. There are no water mains in the average town and water for domestic purposes is drawn from the public fountains and sold from door to door by leather aproned venders who carry it in picturesque vessels of hide or pottery. Pulque and milk are brought to market in skins of sheep, pigs and goats which are stripped off the animal carcass by cutting only the neck and legs and turned inside out all the openings but one being tied up securely. The natives do not object to the flavor of goat hide and swineskin in the milk, but visitors do.

The washerwoman have no faith in modern methods. They get 25 cents a day and are satisfied. This sounds improbable to the Chicagoan, who is being "done up" by his laundress and has to endure it. The washerwomen all do their work beside an open stream of water in a trough of stone or wood, beating the articles with a round stone, a piece of homemade soap and their strong hands. No hot water is used. The scene at the public washhouses is an interesting one. The method breaks buttons bends buckles and tears goods with the same ease as does a steam laundry in the States.

The average Mexican cook is as primitive as the washerwoman. No matter how many times the use of a modern cook stove were explained to her, it is probable that she would build the fire in the oven and put the bread to bake in the fire box. What she would use is called the brasero. Among the poor this is an urn shaped affair of pottery with a hollow base, where a tiny charcoal fire may be kept alive by constant fanning, the whole being not much larger than a common flowerpot. In the homes of the upper classes the brasero is built in of brick mortar and piles, its surface is high as an American cook stove with holes a foot square under each of which a charcoal fire is kept burning. Some of these stoves have 25 or 30 ovens and the operation of cooking is so laborious that the cook has a relay of assistants to prepare the vegetables, wash the dishes and attend the fires.—Chicago Journal.

She Misunderstood.

Many singers fail to realize the importance of distinct enunciation, and the charm of a beautiful voice is often lost by the listener who is vainly struggling to catch the meaning of the song. A young woman who considers herself an admirable ballad singer one day received a severe shock from the criticism of an old lady who had formed one of her audience. Among other ballads the singer had rendered "Rory O'More" in her best style and had received much applause.

The old lady who sat in the front seat in the little hall where the entertainment was given looked at first puzzled and then distressed as the familiar song proceeded and at the close of the concert she waited to speak to the young woman.

"My dear," she said in a quivering voice, "I remember when 'Rory O'More' first came out. I have never been a singer myself, but have always been interested in music, and I am sure I never heard the words as you sang them tonight. I am not deaf. My hearing is unusually good, but will you tell me where you get your authority for singing

He poulticed the hock
And she salted it down?

For, though I cannot remember the original words, I am sure they were not like that.

The young woman's face was crimson as she showed the old lady her copy of the song and pointed to the words

He bold as the hawk
And she soft as the dawn.

—Youth's Companion.

Autumn Tailor Gown.

An autumn tailor gown of Russian green English serge says a New York fashion writer has a jacket bodice finished with short flat basques. It opens over a vest of soft old rose colored ladies' cloth, a pale tan and gold braid being nearly covering its surface. The skirt hem is braided in the same design, and the revers and standing collar are made of green velvet. Another model has the back of the jacket cut into short postilion basques, the fronts in bolero shape opening on a vest of soft corded silk under the belt of which is an added basque cut in circular form. This can be sewed permanently to a belt or pointed girdle or it can be made adjustable and when added converts a house dress into a street costume.

On a Tombstone.

In a French churchyard is a monument bearing an inscription of which the following is a translation "Here lies Jean Pinto, the Spanish vocalist. When he reached heaven, he united his voice with the voices of the archangels. As soon as he heard him the Deity cried 'Keep quiet, all you fellows, and let us hear alone the illustrious singer, Jean Pinto.'"

Well Mixed.

The Moultrie (Ga.) Gazette says that there is a family near by which consists of two mothers, four fathers, one grandmother, six sons, one grandfather, three daughters, three sisters, six brothers, five husbands, three aunts, two nieces, seven uncles, six nephews, two wives, one mother in law, three sisters-in-law, seven brothers-in-laws, one father in law, one son in law, six grandsons, two granddaughters, and there are only ten in the family.

The Barrier.

"Say," said Weary as he looked up from the clover in the fence corner "How do they git at the gold up ther in Alasky?"

"By washin'," replied Weary's pard.

"Count me out," said Weary.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Laughing cheerfulness throws sunlight on all the paths of life.—Richter.

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If you have ever seen a little child in a paroxysm of whooping cough or if you have been annoyed by a constant tickling in the throat, you can appreciate the value of One Minute Cough Cure which gives quick relief. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

SUPERSTITIONS.

The Momentous Part They Sometimes Play In Human Affairs.

The London Truth gives the following inside view of a great historical event said to have been hitherto unpublished.

When Sir Charles Napier had conquered Mehemet Ali, he found it impossible to force or coax the wily Egyptian into signing the treaty which only would make his victory effective. He had 19 interviews with Mehemet, in which the Englishman by turns argued, flattered and threatened his antagonist, who listened day after day with the same immovable, smiling countenance.

One day Sir Charles, in speaking of England, said casually that it "was governed by a lucky woman." A strange flash passed over the pasha's countenance, but he made no answer. As soon as Napier was gone, Mehemet sent for the English consul, who was an Egyptian, and demanded

"You were in London when the English queen was crowned. Were the omens bad or good?"

"All good.

"You think that good luck is written on her forehead?"

"I did not think upon the matter before but now that you ask me I believe that it is. When she asked Allah to help her in her work, her eyes ran over. Allah loves the innocent."

"No doubt of that," said Mehemet anxiously. "She must be lucky."

Early the next morning he sent for Sir Charles and signed the treaty. English power and English cannon he could brave, but not "the luck written upon the forehead of a good woman whom he had never seen.

General Gordon's remarkable influence over the Chinese was in a large degree due, it is stated, to their belief in his extraordinary luck. During the Tae-Ping rebellion he was followed by an army which did not comprehend either his ability or his religious zeal but which believed that he was protected by an invisible being who led him to victory. No sword could wound him or bullet kill. A certain black ebony cane which he carried was supposed to be the magic talisman which brought him victory, and General Gordon was shrewd enough always to carry this cane when he led them into battle.

These superstitions seem absurd to us but they at least show that the ignorant man who hold them believe in an invisible power who can give good or ill fortune at his will. Are they more foolish than the educated busy man, who recognizes no power in life stronger than his own will and effort?

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The world says Woodrow Wilson in The Atlantic, is apt to esteem that man most human who has his qualities in a certain exaggeration whose courage is passionate, whose generosity is without deliberation whose just action is without premeditation, whose spirit runs toward its favorite objects with an infectious and reckless ardor whose wisdom is no child of slow prudence. We love Achilles more than Diomedes, and Ulysses not at all. But these are standards left over from a ruder state of society. We should have passed by this time the Homeric stage of mind—should have heroes suited to our age. Nay we have erected different standards and do make a different choice when we see in any man fulfillment of our real ideals.

Let a modern instance serve as test. Could any man hesitate to say that Abraham Lincoln was more human than William Lloyd Garrison? Does not every one know that it was the practical Free Soilers who made emancipation possible, and not the hot, impracticable abolitionists, that the country was infinitely more moved by Lincoln's temperate sagacity than by any man's enthusiasm, instinctively trusted the man who saw the whole situation and kept his balance, and instinctively held off from those who refused to see more than one thing?

We know how serviceable the intense and headlong agitator was in bringing to their feet men fit for action, but we feel uneasy while he lives and vouchsafe him our full sympathy only when he is dead. We know that the genial forces of nature which work daily, equably and without violence are infinitely more serviceable, infinitely more admirable, than the rude violence of the storm, however necessary or excellent the purification it may have wrought. Should we seek to name the most human man among those who led the nation to its struggle with slavery and yet was no statesman we should of course name Lowell. We know that his humor went farther than any man's passion toward setting tolerant men a tingle with the new impulses of the day. We naturally hold back from those who are intemperate and can never stop to smile and are deeply reassured to see a twinkle in a reformer's eye. We are glad to see earnest men laugh. It breaks the strain.

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MAN-OF-WAR'S MEN.

THEIR QUEER CALCULATION AND NOTIONS ABOUT THE SERVICE

The Absurd Distinction Made Between a Year and a "Butt"—Odd Ideas the Bluejacket Has About Work and Play Aboard Ship and on Land.

On the day after his enlistment for a period of three years the American man of war's man begins to figure on the amount of time that is to intervene before his discharge. He has "two years and a butt" to do, the "butt" being the remaining 11 months and 29 days of the first year. On the day following his completion of the first year of his enlistment he has only a year and a butt to get through. No matter if the butt is only a single day under a year in length the bluejacket contemplates the term with the blandest complaisance. It is at any rate, not a whole year, even though it be 364 days, and this fashion of throttling each year of his service makes him happy, it seems to bring his discharge and the more or less tempestuous joys he carefully maps out long before his discharge within closer range. When he has put in 18 months of an enlistment, he breaks out the homeward bound pennant, he is going down the hill, and when he has busily achieved two years and his only the butt to accomplish joy fills his cup.

"Once a sailor always a sailor" is not strictly true of man of war's men of the American navy. Only about one half of the men who complete one enlistment ship for another three year cruise, but about nine tenths of the men who put in two cruises settle down to a lifelong continuance in the service. Six years of navy life seem thoroughly to inoculate them with what the Germans call wanderlust. When a bluejacket passes a few of his summers in the latitude of the North cape and a couple of winters down among the Bermudas or in the salubrious south Pacific, he is likely to acquire a dislike for the climate of the United States and this dislike has more weight than anything else in forming his decision to remain in the navy. Moreover after a few years in the navy the bluejacket seems to become possessed of the odd idea that he is really doing nothing aboard ship to earn his pay that the perpetual scurry in which he is kept from all hands in the morning, until pipe down at night is really not work and with this quaint notion [illegible] requires an exceedingly exaggerated idea of the terrible amount of grinding labor a man has to perform in order to gain a livelihood ashore. Put to a bluejacket who has put in a couple of navy cruises the direct question "Are you going to take on again when your time is out?" In nine cases out of ten he will look you in the eye with an expression of stupefaction and inquire "What the devil do you think I'm going to do—work?"

But for all of the resignation with which he in time comes to regard a lifelong connection with the navy the bluejacket gazes forward at the [illegible] with a wistful eye to the arrival of the day of his discharge and when the day finally approaches with clear view—is only about [illegible] in the perspective, [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] worth a [illegible] work [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] aboard [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] bound [illegible]

Overtime [illegible] ship [illegible] to this country on a man of war are not compelled to do any of the ship's work. They simply stand the [illegible] eat their meals and smoke their pipes, watching the while with lazy happiness the daily round of labor of the less fortunate bluejackets attached as members of the crew of the ship on which they themselves are practically passengers. The overtime man very frequently emits arrogantly humorous directions to these temporary shipmates, the ship's company of the boat that is hauling them home. "G'wan, now and bear up that bright work you long time dub!" they will shout to a deckhand when the officer of the deck is aft and out of hearing, and "Get down to your bank r you grimy flatfoot an' trace out your real is the kind of thing they [illegible] of the black gang below hears from its passengers however be [illegible] to stick [illegible] peaceful pipe on the [illegible] gallant forecastle.

One of the immemorial customs of the navy jackets is to secrete in the ditty bag of the discharged shipmate who is about to go ashore a [illegible] of corned beef a few potatoes and perhaps one or two other articles of sea food. This is done in order to remind the discharged man when he opens his bag ashore that in the opinion of his shipmates he will be unable to earn enough to eat on land if he takes it into his head not to ship over and that they have, therefore taken a small measure to shield him from starvation with a little navy grub when he has spent his pay day. Discharged men try all sorts of schemes to keep this stuff from being placed in their bag, but nevertheless they nearly always find it there when they get ashore.—Washington Letter.

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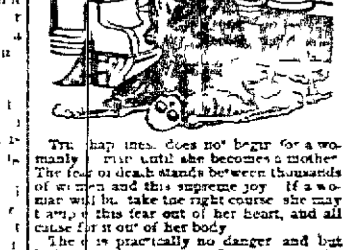
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The following [illegible] from a tomb [illegible] Port Royal, Jamaica

[illegible] Lewis Caldy [illegible] [illegible] He was swallowed up by [illegible] [illegible]

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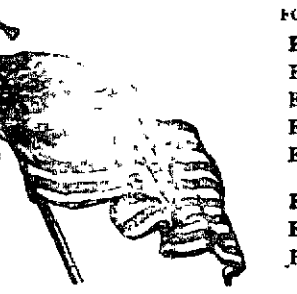
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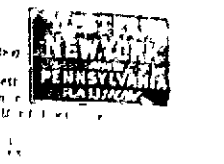
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